

September 23, 2008

MINUTES of a Regular meeting of the Mayor and Board of Council of the Town of Secaucus, County of Hudson, State of New Jersey held on the 23rd day of September, 2008 at 7:00 P.M. in the Council Chamber of the Municipal Government Center, Secaucus, N.J.

Present: Mayor Dennis Elwell
Councilmembers: John Bueckner
Richard Kane
Michael Gonnelli
Gary Jeffas
John Shinnick
John Reilly

Pledge of Allegiance

The following statement was read by Town Clerk Michael Marra:

"Adequate notice for this meeting, as required by the Open Public Meetings Act, has been provided by the filing of the notice of Meetings with the Municipal Clerk, the posting of said notice on the official bulletin board in the Municipal Building, and the delivery of same to the Secaucus Home News on January 4, 2008."

This body wishes to advise you that in accordance with N.J.A.C. 5:23-11.1, et seq. of the Indoor Air Quality Standards and Procedures for Buildings Occupied by Public Employees, smoking anywhere in this public building is prohibited by law.

In the event of a fire or other emergency, please note that there are two exits in the rear of the Council Chamber which may be used."

The first item on the agenda is as follows:

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

The following resolution was read: No. 2008-124

**TOWN OF SECAUCUS, COUNTY OF HUDSON
RESOLUTION**

BE IT RESOLVED, by the Mayor and Council of the Town of Secaucus, that the minutes of the Regular Meeting of April 8, 2008, the Regular Meeting of April 22, 2008, the Regular Meeting of May 13, 2008, the Regular Meeting of May 27, 2008, the Regular Meeting of June 24, 2008, the Special Meeting of July 10, 2008 the Special Meeting of July 16, 2008 and the Regular Meeting of July 22, 2008 are hereby approved.

Councilman Reilly moved that the foregoing resolution be adopted, seconded by Councilman Kane.

AYES: Bueckner, Kane, Gonnelli, Jeffas, Shinnick, Reilly, Elwell
NAYS: None
ABSTAIN: Bueckner on June 24, 2008 only
ABSENT: None Motion carried.

The following ordinance was read for public hearing: No. 2008-23

**ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 31 OF THE CODE OF THE
TOWN OF SECAUCUS ENTITLED "REGISTRAR OF VITAL STATISTICS"**

SECTION 1

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED, by the Mayor and Council of the Town of Secaucus that Chapter 31 - "Registrar of Vital Statistics" shall be amended as follows:

31-1 Findings and purpose.

As part of the Agreement between the County of Hudson and the United States Attorney's Office, commencing in September of 2006, the Town of Secaucus will issue death and marriage certificates.

31-2 Fee Schedule

A. Marriage Licenses

1) Fifteen dollars (\$15) for the first certified copy of a marriage certificate and five dollars (\$5) for each subsequent copy.

2) Fifteen dollars (\$15) for any change to a marriage license or certificate

B. Death Certificate

1) Fifteen dollars (\$15) for the first certified copy of a death certificate and five dollars (\$5) for each subsequent copy.

2) Fifteen dollars (\$15) for any change to a death certificate

SECTION 2

SEVERABILITY

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED, that the provisions of this ordinance are separable and if any provision, clause, sentence, subsection, word or part thereof is held illegal, invalid, or unconstitutional, or inapplicable to any person or circumstance, such illegality, invalidity or unconstitutionality, or inapplicability shall not affect or impair any of the remaining provisions, clauses, sentences, subsections, words, or parts of the regulation or their application to other persons or circumstances. It is hereby declared to be the legislative intent that this ordinance would have been adopted if such illegal, invalid, or unconstitutional provision, clause, sentence, subsection, word or part had not been included therein, and if such persons or circumstances, to which the ordinance or part thereof is held inapplicable, had been specifically exempted therefrom.

SECTION 3

REPEALER

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED, that all other ordinances or parts of ordinances inconsistent with this ordinance are hereby repealed, to the extent of such inconsistency.

SECTION 4

EFFECTIVE DATE

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED, that this ordinance shall take effect upon passage and publication as provided by law.

Mayor Elwell asked if anyone wished to be heard regarding the foregoing proposed ordinance. There being no one requesting the floor, Councilman Shinnick moved that the public hearing be closed, seconded by Councilman Bueckner.

AYES: Bueckner, Kane, Gonnelli, Jeffas, Shinnick, Reilly, Elwell
NAYS: None
ABSENT: None Motion carried.

Councilman Bueckner moved that the foregoing ordinance be finally adopted, seconded by Councilman Reilly.

AYES: Bueckner, Kane, Gonnelli, Jeffas, Shinnick, Reilly, Elwell
NAYS: None
ABSENT: None Motion carried.

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The following ordinance was read for public hearing: No. 2008-24

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING SECTION 70 OF THE CODE OF THE TOWN OF SECAUCUS
ENTITLED "DUMPSTERS/CONSTRUCTION CONTAINERS"

SECTION 1

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED, by the Mayor and Council of the Town of Secaucus that Section 70-4: "Fees" shall be amended as follows:

A. The fees payable for permits issued under this chapter shall be twenty five dollars (\$25.00) for seven (7) days or part thereof for each dumpster/construction container's use at the location stated in the permit. For each seven (7) days or part thereof thereafter, the fee shall be twenty five dollars (\$25.00), subject to the maximum time periods set forth in this chapter.

C. Additional Fees

1. Rubbish Dumpster - \$105.00 per ton
2. Concrete, 10 yards - \$170.00
18 yards - \$200.00
3. Mixed Load, 10 yards - \$210.00
18 yards - \$245.00
4. Mason Dump, Concrete - \$120.00
Asphalt - \$140.00
Mixed - \$140.00

SECTION 2

SEVERABILITY

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED, that the provisions of this ordinance are separable and if any provision, clause, sentence, subsection, word or part thereof is held illegal, invalid, or unconstitutional, or inapplicable to any person or circumstance, such illegality, invalidity or unconstitutionality, or inapplicability shall not affect or impair any of the remaining provisions, clauses, sentences, subsections, words, or parts of the regulation or their application to other persons or circumstances. It is hereby declared to be the legislative intent that this ordinance would have been adopted if such illegal, invalid, or unconstitutional provision, clause, sentence, subsection, word or part had not been included therein, and if such persons or circumstances, to which the ordinance or part thereof is held inapplicable, had been specifically exempted therefrom.

SECTION 3

REPEALER

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED, that all other ordinances or parts of ordinances inconsistent with this ordinance are hereby repealed, to the extent of such inconsistency.

SECTION 4

EFFECTIVE DATE

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED, that this ordinance shall take effect upon passage and publication as provided by law.

Mayor Elwell asked if anyone wished to be heard regarding the foregoing proposed ordinance. There being no one requesting the floor, Councilman Bueckner moved that the public hearing be closed, seconded by Councilman Reilly.

AYES: Bueckner, Kane, Gonnelli, Jeffas, Shinnick, Reilly, Elwell
NAYS: None
ABSENT: None Motion carried.

Councilman Gonnelli moved that the foregoing ordinance be finally adopted, seconded by Councilman Bueckner.

AYES: Bueckner, Kane, Gonnelli, Jeffas, Shinnick, Reilly, Elwell
NAYS: None
ABSENT: None Motion carried.

The following ordinance was read for public hearing: No. 2008-25

TOWN OF SECAUCUS ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 30
ENTITLED “DEPARTMENT OF RECREATION”

BE IT ORDAINED, by the Mayor and Council of the Town of Secaucus that the following sections of Chapter 30 shall be amended as follows:

Section 1.

ARTICLE I

Fees

30-1. Collection of fees.

A. The Town’s Department of Recreation shall collect a thirty dollar (\$30) fee from each participant of a sporting or recreation activity conducted by the Department of Recreation of the Town of Secaucus. Second siblings shall pay a fee of twenty-five dollars (\$25). Any sibling thereafter shall pay a fee of twenty dollars (\$20) per program. Such fee shall be collected for town organized sporting or recreation activities including, but not limited to: softball, baseball, basketball, soccer, cheerleading and football.

C. The town’s Department of Recreation shall collect a fifty dollar (\$50) fee from each Secaucus student resident participating in the Secaucus Department of Recreation, hockey program. All non-Secaucus students wishing to participate in the Secaucus Department of Recreation hockey program shall pay a fee of one hundred dollars (\$100). All adult league teams participating in the Secaucus Recreation Department League shall pay two thousand five hundred dollars (\$2,500) per team.

30-2. Use of town fields for non-recreation sponsored events.

THIS ENTIRE SECTION SHALL BE OMITTED.

30-3. After school care.

A fee of not less than two hundred fifty-five dollars (\$255) and not more than three hundred twenty-five dollars (\$325) per child, per week shall be paid for after school care. In addition, there shall be a registration fee of twenty dollars (\$20).

30-4. Waiver of fees for volunteer firefighters.

The fees for registration of the volunteer firefighter and his or her immediate family for all recreational activities, day camp and after school care shall be reduced by the lesser of thirty dollars (\$30) or the standard fee for such activity.

(1) Membership Plans Available - Select one

Full Memberships

Resident	Non-Resident	Weekend MembershipsInterlocal		
	(Residents Only)			
A - Individual Membership (Under 21*)	\$170.50	\$318.00	\$154.00	
\$330.00				
B - Individual Membership (Over 21*)	\$220.00	\$390.00	\$154.00\$330.00	
C - Household of Two		\$302.50	\$552.00	\$198.00\$492.00
D - Family Plan (same as Plan C				
with following charge for each childages 2-21*)	\$61.50	\$144.00	\$44.00 \$124.00	
E - Individual Senior Citizen (age 62 and over**)	\$82.50			
	\$252.00		\$65.00	\$270.00
F - Senior Citizen Household of two (two persons				
ages 62 and over**)		\$165.00	\$330.00	\$90.00 \$270.00
After May 25 th , add the following late fee	\$5.00	\$15.00	\$5.00	\$10.00

* Birth Certificates required as proof of age
for children ages 2-21

** Includes persons on Social Security Disability
regardless of age

30-6. Secaucus Daycare Fees.

The following shall be the payment schedule for the Secaucus Daycare.

- A. Blue Room (Pre-K; age 4)
Full Time: \$185.00
Preschool Children: \$125.00 plus a \$30.00 Transportation fee
- B. Green Room (Young Pre-K; age 3)
Part Time (Mon-Fri 9am to 1pm only): \$125.00
Full Time: \$200.00
- C. Yellow Room (Toddlers; age 2 and a half)
Part Time (Mon-Fri 9am to 1pm only): \$150.00
Full Time: \$215.00

In addition, there shall be a non-refundable registration fee of \$25.00 due at the time of registration and all tuition will be paid monthly.

SECTION 2

SEVERABILITY

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SECTION 3

REPEALER

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED, that all other ordinances or parts of ordinances inconsistent with this ordinance are hereby repealed, to the extent of such inconsistency.

SECTION 4

EFFECTIVE DATE

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED, that this ordinance shall take effect upon passage and publication as provided by law.

Mayor Elwell asked if anyone wished to be heard regarding the foregoing proposed ordinance.

Mayor Elwell called on Frank Mac Cormack.

Mr. Mac Cormack asked for more details on the ordinance.

Town Administrator, David Drumeler explained that this ordinance adopts the pool rate schedule, Day Care and After Care Fees.

Mr. Mac Cormack asked if there is any employment tied to the ordinance.

Mr. Drumeler stated that there were not no employment mentioned in this ordinance.

Mayor Elwell stated that there are people employed to run these programs. He said the fees cover the employment of the people.

There being no one else requesting the floor, Councilman Jeffas moved that the public hearing be closed, seconded by Councilman Kane.

AYES: Bueckner, Kane, Gonnelli, Jeffas, Shinnick, Reilly, Elwell
NAYS: None
ABSENT: None Motion carried.

Councilman Bueckner moved that the foregoing ordinance be finally adopted, seconded by Councilman Reilly.

AYES: Bueckner, Kane, Gonnelli, Jeffas, Shinnick, Reilly, Elwell
NAYS: None
ABSENT: None Motion carried.

The following ordinance was read for public hearing: No. 2008-26

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING SECTION 127-58B OF THE CODE OF THE TOWN OF SECAUCUS ENTITLED “DESIGNATION OF LOCATIONS AT OR NEAR PRIVATE RESIDENCES”

SECTION 1

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED, by the Mayor and Council of the Town of Secaucus that Section 127-58B - “Designation of Locations at or Near Private Residences” shall be amended by adding the following location:

NAME OF STREET	SIDE	LOCATION
Huber Street	North	
	On the north side of	Huber Street, beginning at a point 373 feet west of the northwest corner of Garry Terrace and
		Huber Street continuing west for a distance of 22 feet

SECTION 2

That the parking space designated for 146 Huber Street adopted by Ordinance is to be personalized for Placard No. P824461.

If the license plate for the person utilizing the parking space at the above listed address changes, then the parking space designation(s) shall be changed to the new plate with proof from the resident that it is for the same person that the person is still entitled to handicapped parking.

SECTION 3

SEVERABILITY

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED, that the provisions of this ordinance are separable and if any provision, clause, sentence, subsection, word or part thereof is held illegal, invalid, or unconstitutional, or inapplicable to any person or circumstance, such illegality, invalidity or unconstitutionality, or inapplicability shall not affect or impair any of the remaining provisions, clauses, sentences, subsections, words, or parts of the regulation or their application to other persons or circumstances. It is hereby declared to be the legislative intent that this ordinance would have been adopted if such illegal, invalid, or unconstitutional provision, clause, sentence, subsection, word or part had not been included therein, and if such persons or circumstances, to which the ordinance or part thereof is held inapplicable, had been specifically exempted therefrom.

SECTION 4

REPEALER

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED, that all other ordinances or parts of ordinances inconsistent with this ordinance are hereby repealed, to the extent of such inconsistency.

SECTION 5

EFFECTIVE DATE

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED, that this ordinance shall take effect upon passage and publication as provided by law.

Mayor Elwell asked if anyone wished to be heard regarding the foregoing proposed ordinance. There being no one requesting the floor, Councilman Gonnelli moved that the public hearing be closed, seconded by Councilman Bueckner.

AYES: Bueckner, Kane, Gonnelli, Jeffas, Shinnick, Reilly, Elwell
NAYS: None
ABSENT: None Motion carried.

Councilman Kane moved that the foregoing ordinance be finally adopted, seconded by Councilman Gonnelli.

AYES: Bueckner, Kane, Gonnelli, Jeffas, Shinnick, Reilly, Elwell
NAYS: None
ABSENT: None Motion carried.

The following ordinance was read for introduction: No. 2008-28

**AN ORDINANCE AMENDING SECTION 127-58B OF THE CODE OF THE TOWN OF
SECAUCUS ENTITLED "DESIGNATION OF LOCATIONS
AT OR NEAR PRIVATE RESIDENCES"**

Councilman Gonnelli moved that the foregoing ordinance be introduced and passed on first reading, seconded by Councilman Bueckner.

AYES: Bueckner, Kane, Gonnelli, Jeffas, Shinnick, Reilly, Elwell
NAYS: None
ABSENT: None Motion carried.

Public hearing on the foregoing ordinance will be on October 14, 2008

CONSENT AGENDA-RESOLUTIONS

All matters listed under Consent Agenda are considered to be routine by the Mayor and Council and will be enacted by one motion. There will be no separate discussion of these items. If discussion is desired, that item will be removed from the Consent Agenda and will be considered separately.

The following resolution was read: No. 2008-125

**RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE INSERTION OF A SPECIAL ITEM OF REVENUE AND
AN APPROPRIATION OF EQUAL AMOUNT**

Council offered and moved adoption of the following resolution:

WHEREAS, the N.J.S.A. 40A: 4-87 provides that the Director of the Division of Local Government Services may approve the insertion of any special item of revenue in the budget of any county or municipality when such item shall have been made available by law and the amount thereof was not determined at the time of adoption of the budget; and

WHEREAS, said Director may also approve the insertion of an item of appropriation for equal amount.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Town Council of the Town of Secaucus hereby requests the Director of Local Government Services to approve the insertion of an item of revenue in the budget of the year 2008 in the sum of \$24,676.20 which item is now available as revenue from:

**STATE OF NEW JERSEY
SOLID WASTE ADMINISTRATION**

pursuant to the provisions of the statute and;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that a like sum of \$24,676.20 be and the same hereby appropriated under the following caption:

FY2008 RECYCLING TONNAGE GRANT

RESOLVED, that two certified copies of this resolution be filed with the Division of Local Government Services.

The following resolution was read: No. 2008-126

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE TOWN OF SECAUCUS TO ENTER IN TO A COOPERATIVE PRICING AGREEMENT

WHEREAS, N.J.S.A. 40A:11-11(5) authorizes contracting units to establish a Cooperative Pricing System and to enter into Cooperative Pricing Agreements for its administration; and

WHEREAS, the County of Hudson, hereinafter referred to as the "Lead Agency" has referred voluntary participation in a Cooperative Pricing System for the purchase of goods and services;

WHEREAS, on September 23, 2008 the governing body of the Town of Secaucus, County of Hudson, State of New Jersey duly considered participation a Cooperative Pricing System for the provision and performance of goods and services;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED as follows:

TITLE

This Resolution shall be known and may be cited as the Cooperative Pricing Resolution of the Town of Secaucus.

AUTHORITY

Pursuant to the provisions of N.J.S.A. 40A:11-11(5) the Town Administrator, David B. Drumeler, Esq., is hereby authorized to enter into a Cooperative Pricing Agreement with the Lead Agency.

CONTRACTING UNIT

The Lead Agency shall be responsible for complying with the provisions of the Local Public Contracts law (N.J.S.A.40a:11-1 et seq.) and all other provisions of the revised statutes of the State of New Jersey.

EFFECTIVE DATE

This resolution shall take effect immediately upon passage.

The following resolution was read: No. 2008-128

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING CONTRACT FOR THIRD STREET AND FIFTH STREET SIDEWALK AND CURB REPLACEMENT

WHEREAS, the Mayor and Council advertised for and receiving the following bids for Third and Fifth Street Sidewalk and Curb Replacement on September 10, 2008:

<u>BIDDER</u>	<u>BID</u>
Reggio Construction, Inc.	\$ 61,294.14
Arnold's Roads, Inc.	\$ 68,805.00
Jak Construction Corp. (T/a Diamond Construction)	\$ 72,727.26
Covino & Sons	\$ 81,489.00
Al Neto Contractors, Inc.	\$ 90,763.00

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Adamo Brothers Construction	\$107,599.00
DLS Contracting, Inc.	\$127,625.00

WHEREAS, the Town Engineer and Town Attorney have reviewed the bids and determined that the bid of Reggio Construction, Inc. is the lowest responsive bid.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Mayor and Council of the Town of Secaucus that a contract for Third and Fifth Street Sidewalk and Curb Replacement be awarded to Reggio Construction, Inc., in the amount of \$61,294.14.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Mayor and Town Clerk shall be authorized to execute a contact for Third and Fifth Street Sidewalk and Curb Replacement with Reggio Construction, Inc.

Financial Officers
Certification attached.

The following resolution was read: No. 2008-128A

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING INTERLOCAL SERVICE AGREEMENT WITH BOARD
OF EDUCATION FOR SHARED BUS USE

WHEREAS, the Town of Secaucus has a need for bus services to be provided to senior, private school and other charitable and nonprofit activities.

WHEREAS, this need can best be satisfied by entering into an interlocal service agreement with the Secaucus Board of Education.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Mayor and council of the Town of Secaucus that the Town enter into an interlocal services agreement with the Board of Education of the form as attached hereto for bus services.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Mayor and Town Clerk are hereby authorized to execute an agreement for these services.

Councilman Jeffas moved to approve the resolutions on the Consent Agenda, seconded by Councilman Shinnick.

AYES: Bueckner, Kane, Gonnelli, Jeffas, Shinnick, Reilly, Elwell
NAYS: None
ABSENT: None Motion carried.

The following resolution was read: No. 2008-127

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING CONTRACT FOR POWER SWEEPING

WHEREAS, the Mayor and Council advertised and receiving the following bids for the power sweeping of Harmon Cove areas streets on August 19, 2008:

<u>BIDDER</u>	<u>BID</u>
Dependable Power Sweeping	\$20,800.00
Dejana Industries, Inc.	\$22,880.00
The Shauger Group	\$49,800.00
Cristi Cleaning Services Corp.	\$57,980.00

WHEREAS, the Town Engineer and Town Attorney have reviewed the bids and determined that the bid of Dependable Power Sweeping is the lowest responsive bid.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Mayor and Council of the Town of Secaucus that a contract for power seeping Harmon Cove are streets be awarded to Dependable Sweeping in the amount of \$20,800.00.

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Financial officers
Certification attached.

Councilman Shinnick moved that the foregoing resolution be adopted, seconded by Councilman Reilly.

Councilman Gonnelli stated that he felt this could be done in house not have to go out to bid. He explained his opinion of the process as well as his thoughts on having the work done in house.

Mayor Elwell explained the savings that was calculated in house versus the outside vendor.

Councilman Bueckner suggested that the Council see how the figures were arrived at.

Councilman Bueckner moved to table the foregoing resolution, seconded by Councilman Jeffas.

Councilman Jeffas stated that he would like to determine if the Town has the capability of doing the work in house.

Councilman Reilly stated that the research done by the administrator was sufficient for him.

Councilman Gonnelli said who asked the administrator to do a study.

Councilman Shinnick stated that it was discussed at a previous Caucus Meeting.

Mayor Elwell stated that when it initially rejected there was discussion on costs.

Mr. Drumeler explained that the request was made at a Caucus Meeting.

AYES: Bueckner, Gonnelli, Jeffas
NAYS: Kane, Shinnick, Reilly, Elwell
ABSENT: None Motion defeated.

RESUMPTION OF ORIGINAL VOTE ON APPROVING RESOLUTION 2008-127

Councilman Bueckner stated that the Council could have used the expertise of Councilman Gonnelli on this issue.

Mayor Elwell said that the Town never swept Meadowland Parkway previously.

Councilman Gonnelli said that was not true.

AYES: Kane, Shinnick, Reilly, Elwell
NAYS: Bueckner, Gonnelli, Jeffas
ABSENT: None Motion carried.

PAYMENT OF CLAIMS

Councilman Bueckner moved that the following Salary Vouchers and Claims Fund Register be approved, seconded by Councilman Jeffas.

Town of Secaucus Payroll Acct. w/ending 09/05/08	335,143.88
Adm. & Exec	9,131.79
Mayor & Council	10,192.98
Municipal Clerk	5,499.02
Legal Dept.	2,493.58
Treasurer	16,362.73
Tax Assessor	5,281.48
Tax Collector	5,223.44
Municipal Court	12,208.09
Engineering	778.50
Community Shuttle Bus	2,397.43
Pub. Bldgs. & Grds.	28,483.59
Off. Of Inspect.	3,177.58
Planning Board	541.66
Bd. Of Adjustments	541.66
Public Defender	300.00
Comm. & Security Adm.	3,411.62
Fire Department	000.00

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Police Dept.	258,547.71	
Construction	8,387.63	
School Cross Grds.	125.00	
Office of Emergency Man.	623.40	
Unif. Fire Safety Off.	4,331.62	
Rd. Repair & Maint.	96,940.82	
Sewer System	695.02	
Recycling Coord.	9,825.50	
Bd.of Health	798.62	
Mosquito Control	000.00	
Social Services	10,062.01	
Pks. & Play Grds.	4,884.45	
Supv. Of Play Act.	21,079.01	
Rec. Activities	1,447.30	
Pool Oper.	22,825.26	
CDBG	639.35	
Town of Secaucus Tax Escrow Acct. w/ending 09/05/08		182,294.91
Town of Secaucus Payroll Acct. w/ending 09/19/08		334,944.30
Adm. & Exec	9,723.46	
Mayor & Council	3,036.35	
Municipal Clerk	5,499.02	
Legal Dept.	2,493.58	
Treasurer	15,903.46	
Tax Assessor	5,333.16	
Tax Collector	5,223.44	
Municipal Court	16,082.92	
Engineering	000.00	
Community Shuttle Bus	2,750.21	
Pub. Bldgs. & Grds.	29,420.94	
Off. Of Inspect.	4,997.18	
Planning Board	000.00	
Bd. Of Adjustments	000.00	
Public Defender	900.00	
Comm. & Security Adm.	3,411.62	
Fire Department	000.00	
Police Dept.	256,718.37	
Construction	8,387.63	
School Cross Grds.	7,208.70	
Office of Emergency Man.	623.40	
Unif. Fire Safety Off.	4,331.62	
Rd. Repair & Maint.	92,493.67	
Sewer System	823.31	
Recycling Coord.	9,917.97	
Bd.of Health	673.62	
Mosquito Control	000.00	
Social Services	9,773.58	
Pks. & Play Grds.	3,275.18	
Supv. Of Play Act.	22,417.88	
Rec. Activities	1,447.30	
Pool Oper.	9,986.97	
CDBG	639.35	
Town of Secaucus Payroll Acct. w/ending 9/19/08		\$ 334,944.30
Total Amount Claims Check No. 24502-24648		\$1,254,067.28
Recreation Acct. Check No. 1887-1888		\$130,647.50
Current Account Check No. 1617-1630		\$12,353.41
Trust Account Check No. 1134-1135		\$12,565.00

Mayor Elwell noted that the Town has been in touch with the lobbyist looking for support to get relief from Bill 8500.

AYES: Bueckner, Kane, Gonnelli, Jeffas, Shinnick, Reilly, Elwell
NAYS: Bueckner on Tom Calvinico, MBI Gluckshaw and Dependable Power Sweeping; Gonnelli on Tom Calvinico, MBI Gluckshaw and Dependable Power Sweeping; Jeffas on Tom Calvinico, MBI Gluckshaw and Dependable Power Sweeping.
ABSTAIN: Gonnelli on Secaucus Fire and NJMC, Reilly on Jersey City Medical Center.
ABSENT: None Motion carried.

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BINGO/RAFFLE APPLICATIONS

Councilman Reilly moved that the following applications for Raffle/Bingo License be approved, seconded by Councilman Kane.

R-1065 PTA Secaucus Middle School On Premise Draw
R-1066 PTA Secaucus Middle School On Premise 50/50
R-1067 PTA Huber Street School On Premise Draw Raffle
R-1068 PTA Huber Street School On Premise 50/50

AYES: Bueckner, Kane, Gonnelli, Jeffas, Shinnick, Reilly, Elwell
NAYS: None
ABSENT: None Motion carried.

COMMUNICATIONS REQUIRING ACTION BY MAYOR AND COUNCIL

The following correspondences were received:

Hose Co. No.2
764 Seventh St.
Secaucus, NJ 07094

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Subject: Mr. Greg J. Lentini, Jr. Of 821 First Street, Secaucus, NJ

Honorable Mayor Elwell and Town Council of the Town of Secaucus

At the regular meeting of Hose Co. #2 on September 9, 2008, the above named Mr. Greg J. Lentini Jr. was welcomed into our company. We now request that he be accepted by the Town of Secaucus as a member of the Secaucus Fire Department.

Respectfully,

Keith A. Roberts
Secretary
Hose Co. #2

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Subject: Mr. Robert J. Zemak, Jr., of 187 Charles Street, Secaucus, NJ

Honorable Mayor Elwell and Town Council of the Town of Secaucus

At the regular meeting of Hose Co. #2 on September 9, 2008, the above named Mr. Robert J. Zemak, Jr., was welcomed into our company. We now request that he be accepted by the Town of Secaucus as a member of the Secaucus Fire Department.

Respectfully,

Keith A. Roberts
Secretary
Hose Co. #2

Councilman Reilly moved to approve the new memberships of Greg Lentini, Jr. and Robert Semak, Jr., seconded by Councilman Jeffas.

AYES: Bueckner, Kane, Jeffas, Shinnick, Reilly, Elwell
NAYS: None
ABSTAIN: Gonnelli
ABSENT: None Motion carried.

REPORTS AND CORRESPONDENCE FILE

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Councilman Reilly updated the Mayor and Council with figures received from the Police Department regarding summonses.

Councilman Shinnick reported on the Television Committee Meeting and where the research is at this point. He noted at the Caucus meeting was the topic was the televised meeting.

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Councilman Jeffas agreed and explained that the Town Attorney will give the Council a report on the possible legal scenarios.

Councilamn Kane reported on Recreation and meetings that have transpired to discuss programs for teenagers.

Councilman Gonnelli reported on the Shade Tree Committee and a program with the State to plant approximately 350 curbside trees. He explained that if a resident does not want the tree, they can contact the Road Department of the DPW. He asked for a copy of the people who declined.

Mayor Elwell stated that it is being compiled. He said there is about 25 to 30 people. He stated that they have added some more streets and stated that the Shade Tree Committee members will be visiting the people who do not want them, to make sure that they understand the program completely.

Councilman Gonnelli stated that people need to make the call if they do not want the tree.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Councilman Jeffas asked the Mayor if MBI Gluckshaw is working on the 8500 Bill?

Mayor Elwell said they have been asked to find support because there is a movement to change the language in the Bill.

Councilman Jeffas spoke about a previous discussion about this Bill and the Lesniak group and their opinion.

Mayor Elwell explained the change based on what he has heard from other mayors.

The discussion continued among the Mayor and Council with specifics on the issue.

Councilman Jeffas spoke about Pay-to-Play and the need for an ordinance. He encouraged the Council to pass the ordinance.

Councilman Jeffas moved to introduce a Pay-to-Play ordinance, seconded by Councilman Bueckner.

Councilman Gonnelli spoke about Mayor Elwell's last campaign report and about the award of Dependable Sweeping and their donation to the Mayor's campaign. He continued with his opinion of the process.

Councilman Jeffas also discussed his opinion on the process.

Councilman Shinnick spoke about his view of the issue and the process.

Councilman Bueckner voiced his opinion.

Discussion continued.

AYES: Bueckner, Gonnelli, Jeffas
NAYS: Kane, Shinnick, Reilly, Elwell
ABSENT: None

Motion defeated.

Councilman Jeffas asked about the need for a street light on Golden Avenue.

Mayor Elwell asked for the pole number.

Councilman Gonnelli asked about his past requests.

Mayor Elwell stated that the requests have been made.

Councilman Gonnelli mentioned flooding on Gillis Place and Farm Road.

Mayor Elwell stated that there would be a Flood Committee Meeting.

Councilman Gonnelli spoke about the speed bump on Radio Avenue.

Mayor Elwell said the Town is looking for funds for asphalt.

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NEW BUSINESS

The following correspondence was received:

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Dear Mayor Elwell,

I am fund raising for breast cancer awareness in men and women. My team is sponsoring a tri-state clothing drive to raise money for the Pink Ribbon Riders Snowmobile Ride in February. In case of inclement weather, I need a drop off location on November 22, 2008 from 9 AM to 3PM. The clothing will then be picked up at the location. I hope you can help me. Any central location would (be) most helpful.

Thank you,

Debbie Gerbasio

Councilman Kane moved to approve the foregoing request, seconded by Councilman Jeffas.

AYES: Bueckner, Kane, Gonnelli, Jeffas, Shinnick, Reilly, Elwell
NAYS: None
ABSENT: None Motion carried.

Councilman Gonnelli spoke about the League of Municipalities convention and asked any Department Heads who attend bring back a list of seminars they have attended and a brief overview of what they learned.

Mayor Elwell stated that JIF does a program at the convention and if all attend, the Town receives points. If all can not attend at the convention, then the Town will have the meeting in the Town Hall so that the Town can get the reduction in the insurance policy.

Councilman Bueckner asked that the seminar be arranged as he is not attending the convention.

Michel Marra announced that the Town Clerk's Office will open late on October 14, 2008 as it is the deadline to make any changes or to register to vote.

Councilman Reilly left the meeting for family business.

REMARKS OF CITIZENS

Sam Maffei
Dr. Robert Berckes
Carole Acropolis
Thomas Troyer
Robert Zych
Barbara Napierski
Donald Evanson
Jules Carricarte
Madeline Chichizola
Wanda Bosinski
John Markovich

Councilman Reilly moved to adjourn the meeting at 8:40 pm, seconded by Councilman Jeffas.

AYES: Bueckner, Kane, Gonnelli, Jeffas, Shinnick, Reilly, Elwell
NAYS: None
ABSENT: None Motion carried.

Michael Marra, Town Clerk

